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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Oran D. Tarlton

Serial No.: 09/369,134

Filed: August 5, 1999

For: COMPOSITE METAL-TO-METAL SEAL

HAVING A RELATIVELY SOFT METAL OVERLAY AND A RELATIVELY HARD

METAL CORE

Group Art Unit: 3676

Examiner: V. Patel

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 to extend the time for response to the Final Official Action dated May 16, 2002 from August 16, 2002 to November 16, 2002. Please find enclosed a check for \$920.00 to cover the extension fee of 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3). If the check is missing or deficient, please deduct the deficiency from Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP., Deposit Account No. 01-2508, order No. 11666.0102.NPUS00. Enclosed is a Fee Transmittal Form authorizing any fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 to be deducted from this Deposit Account No. 01-2508.

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